

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 1, lines 4-7, please delete the entire paragraph and insert therefor the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/777,422, filed February 5, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/730,469, filed December 4, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/687,911, filed on October 13, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/569,956, filed on May 12, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/894,251, filed on July 23, 1999, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,455,305, on September 24, 2002, and which was a national stage application, under 35 U.S.C. § 371, of international application PCT/US97/21463, filed November 21, 1997, which claims the priority of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/031,338, filed November 21, 1996. The U.S. Government has a paid-up license in this invention and the right in limited circumstances to require the patent owner to license others on reasonable terms as provided for by the terms of Contract CA75979, awarded by the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health.--

At page 1, lines 8-15, please delete the entire paragraph and insert therefor the following paragraph:

--The U.S. Government has a paid-up license in this invention and the right in limited circumstances to require the patent owner to license others on reasonable terms as provided for by the terms of Contract CA75979, awarded by the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health. This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/777,422, filed February 5, 2001, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Serial No. 09/730,469, filed December 4, 2000, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Serial No. 09/687,911, filed on October 13, 2000, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Serial No. 09/569,956, filed on May 12, 2000, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Serial No. 08/894,251, filed on July 23, 1999, which was a national stage application, under 35 U.S.C. § 371, of international application PCT/US97/21463, filed November 21, 1997, which claims the priority of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/031,338, filed November 21, 1996.--